

On Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia will hold an oversight hearing entitled, "Back on Track: WMATA Red Line Metrorail Accident and Continual Funding Challenges."

In light of the Monday, June 22nd Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Metrorail Red Line accident and the subsequent ongoing investigations, the upcoming hearing will examine what progress has been made in the investigation, explore the steps WMATA has taken since the accident to ensure the safety of riders and employees, and provide an overview of various Metrorail systems, equipment, and safety policies and procedures. The hearing will also touch on such topics as WMATA's aging infrastructure, challenges to funding the transit authority's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and industry-wide rail safety standards and practices.

WITNESS LIST

Panel I

Mr. Thomas M. Davis III
Former Member of Congress

Mr. Patrick Tuite
Eye Witnesses and Metrorail Train 112 Rider

Ms. Jackie Jeter
President, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 689

Mr. William Millar
President, American Public Transportation Association

Panel II

Councilmember Jim Graham
Chairman, Board of Directors, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

Mr. John B. Catoe
General Manager, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

Ms. Deborah A. P. Hersman
Member, National Transportation Safety Board

Mr. Eric Madison
Chairman, Tri-State Oversight Committee

Mr. Peter M. Rogoff
Administrator, Federal Transit Administration